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24. (Unclassified - RLB) LEGISLATION Mr. Thomas Countee, OMB, called regarding the letter to Senator Henry M. Jackson (D., Wash.) on S. 1864 (the National Energy Information Administration bill) which I had left with Mr. Countee for OMB's clearance on 26 March. Mr. Countee at first requested that the Agency not offer suggested language for an amendment to the bill but after I reiterated our problems with the bill as written, he later agreed that we could go ahead with our suggested amendment if we clarify a few other points in our views letter. With those changes, he stated that the letter was okay with OMB and I promised to forward to him a signed copy.

✓ 25. (Internal Use Only - PLC) LEGISLATION Together with Ernest Mayerfeld, and Jim Kronfeld, OGC, met with Representative Carlos Moorhead (R., Calif.), Representative George Danielson (D., Calif.), William Shattuck, Counsel, and Alan Coffey, Associate Counsel, House Judiciary Subcommittee on Administrative Law and Governmental Relations, and discussed the Agency's problems with the proposed change to the exemption concerning information protected by statute in H. R. 11656, the Government in the Sunshine Act. They were receptive and indicated they would give our concerns consideration in their markup of the bill on Wednesday.

26. (Internal Use Only - PLC) LEGISLATION Met with Hilda Schreiber, OMB, and went over our additional proposed amendments to H. R. 11088, amending CIARDS. She informally cleared all of the changes except for the proposal to waive a survivorship annuity and made clear that OMB will object to this proposal. She will formally clear our changes after she hears from the Civil Service Commission but anticipated no problems.

27. (Internal Use Only - PLC) LEGISLATION Met with Bob Lockhart, Counsel, House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, and discussed further our request for an exemption from H. R. 12080, which establishes statutory authority for the Civil Service Commission over Government personnel management. Lockhart said the bill will not be scheduled for markup until after the Easter recess. We will get together again before the recess begins on 14 April. Lockhart recognizes our problem and assured that an appropriate exemption can be worked out.